

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 644

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A RESOLUTION to designate January 24-30, 2010, as
"Tennessee Students Reach Out Week".

WHEREAS, home to generations of Americans who answered the call to service during our Nation's times of need, the State of Tennessee is especially proud to be called the Volunteer State in honor of its citizens' historic efforts; and

WHEREAS, volunteer service is also a vital component of this Nation's future because the experience of giving of oneself in service to another empowers both the giver and the recipient, raising the awareness of volunteers to the needs of their communities while renewing the faith of recipients that others are not blind to their plight or helpless to provide assistance; and

WHEREAS, it is important that each new generation should experience the benefits of volunteerism, learning through doing, and seeing firsthand the value of selflessness and the positive impact that they, as an individual, can make in their community by reaching out to better the lives of others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby designate January 24-30, 2010, as "Tennessee Students Reach Out Week" to recognize both the importance and significance of volunteerism and to educate and encourage students to give back to their community and make volunteering a way of life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in observance of "Tennessee Students Reach Out Week" we hereby encourage all students, faculty members, and staff members across Tennessee to accumulate at least one (1) hour of volunteer service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.